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MANUAL TRANSMITTAL SHEET

SUBJECT: Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Training

1. Explanation of Material Transmitted: This issuance sets forth the policy concerning the cardiopulmonary resuscitation skills required of physicians and dentists at the Clinical Center. The policy was reviewed by the Medical Executive Committee on 1 May 2001 and approved with one change: Non-NIH Residents are no longer exempt from obtaining and maintaining CPR proficiency.
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this issuance is to set forth the current policy of the Medical Executive Committee regarding the cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) skills required of members of the Junior, Senior, Research and Adjunct Staff at the Clinical Center.

POLICY

1. It is the policy of the Medical Executive Committee that each member of the Junior, Senior, Research and Adjunct Staff will have current CPR proficiency. Individuals are responsible for obtaining and maintaining such training at least every 24 months at the NIH or elsewhere. Members of the Consultant Staff are exempt.

If a staff member cannot obtain CPR training because of age, infirmity, or other physical limitation, the Credentials Committee Chair may waive the requirement upon written request.

2. Evidence of current CPR training must be included in the initial application for appointment, or must be provided to Credentialing Services within 90 days of initial appointment.
3. Each staff member must maintain CPR training, and must show evidence of recent training to Credentialing Services at the time of reappointment. As a part of the recredentialing process, staff of Credentialing Services will send out three notices (120,

60 and 30 days in advance) reminding each staff member that CPR training is required.

4. Failure, by a staff member, to provide evidence of CPR training as described in the above paragraphs will result in suspension of all clinical privileges for a period not to exceed 29 days. During this time the staff member will be required to appear before the Medical Executive Committee to explain why his/her credentials should not be revoked. If the required evidence of CPR is provided prior to the Medical Executive Committee appearance, the staff member will be immediately removed from suspension and his/her appearance canceled.

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility for ascertaining that staff members possess evidence of recent CPR training rests with Credentialing Services at the time of initial appointment and reappointment.